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A BILL

То	amend sections 3319.075, 3319.111, and 3319.112	1
	and to repeal sections 3319.114 and 3319.58 of	2
	the Revised Code with regard to teacher	3
	evaluations.	4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 3319.075, 3319.111, and 3319.112	5
of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows:	6
Sec. 3319.075. Once the state board of education adopts	7
professional development standards pursuant to section 3319.61	8
of the Revised Code, the board of education of each school	9
district shall use the standards for the following purposes:	10
(A) To guide the design of teacher education programs	11
serving both teacher candidates and experienced teachers;	12
(B) To guide school-based professional development that is	13
aligned with student achievement;	14

(C) To determine what types of professional development	15
the school district and the schools within the district should	16
provide;	17
(D) To guide how state and federal funding for	18
professional development should be spent;	19
(E) To develop criteria for decision making by the local	20
professional development committees established under section	21
3319.22 of the Revised Code;	22
(F) To guide the school district in the hiring of third-	23
party providers of instructional services who use or meet the	24
professional development standards;	25
(G) To guide all licensed school personnel in developing	26
their own plans for professional growth;	27
(H) To guide the development of professional growth plans	28
and improvement plans resulting from the teacher evaluations	29
conducted under section 3319.111 of the Revised Code.	30
Sec. 3319.111. Notwithstanding section 3319.09 of the	31
Revised Code, this section applies to any person who is employed	32
under a teacher license issued under this chapter, or under a	33
professional or permanent teacher's certificate issued under	34
former section 3319.222 of the Revised Code, and who spends at	35
least fifty per cent of the time employed providing student	36
instruction. However, this section does not apply to any person	37
who is employed as a substitute teacher or as an instructor of	38
adult education.	39
(A) Not later than July 1, $\frac{2013}{2019}$, the board of	40
education of each school district, in consultation with teachers	41
employed by the board, shall adopt a update its standards-based	42
teacher evaluation policy that conforms to conform with the	43

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framework for evaluation of teachers developed adopted under	44
section 3319.112 of the Revised Code. The policy shall become	45
operative at the expiration of any collective bargaining	46
agreement covering teachers employed by the board that is in	47
effect on -September 29, 2011 the effective date of this	48
amendment, and shall be included in any renewal or extension of	49
such an agreement.	50

- (B) When using measures of student academic growth as a 51 component of performance as evidence in a teacher's evaluation, 52 those measures shall-include the value-added progress dimension-53 54 prescribed by section 3302.021 of the Revised Code or an alternative student academic progress measure if adopted under-55 division (C)(1)(e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code. For 56 teachers of grade levels and subjects for which the value-added 57 progress dimension or alternative student academic progress-58 59 measure is not applicable, the board shall administerassessments on the list developed under division (B)(2) of-60 section 3319.112 of the Revised Code be high-quality student 61 data. The board of education of each school district may use 62 data from the assessments on the list developed under division 63 (B) (2) of section 3319.112 of the Revised Code as high-quality 64 student data. 65
- (C)(1) The board shall conduct an evaluation of each teacher employed by the board at least once each school year, except as provided in division (C)(2) of this section. The evaluation shall be completed by the first day of May and the teacher shall receive a written report of the results of the evaluation by the tenth day of May.
- (2) (a) The board may evaluate each teacher who received a 72 rating of accomplished on the teacher's most recent evaluation 73

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conducted under this section once every three school years, so	74
long as the teacher's student academic growth measure, for the	75
most recent school year for which data is available, is average	76
or higher, as determined by the department of education teacher	77
submits a self-directed professional growth plan to the	78
evaluator that focuses on specific areas identified in the	79
observations and evaluation and the evaluator determines that	80
the teacher is making progress on that plan.	81
(b) The board may evaluate each teacher who received a	82
rating of skilled on the teacher's most recent evaluation	83
conducted under this section once every two years, so long as	84
the-teacher's student academic growth measure, for the most-	85
recent school year for which data is available, is average or	86
higher, as determined by the department of education teacher and	87
evaluator jointly develop a professional growth plan for the	88
teacher that focuses on specific areas identified in the	89
observations and evaluation and the evaluator determines that	90
the teacher is making progress on that plan.	91
(c) For each teacher who is evaluated pursuant to division	92
(C)(2) of this section, the evaluation shall be completed by the	93
first day of May of the applicable school year, and the teacher	94
shall receive a written report of the results of the evaluation	95
by the tenth day of May of that school year.	96
(d) Beginning with the 2014-2015 school year, the The	97
board may elect not to conduct an evaluation of a teacher who	98
meets one of the following requirements:	99
(i) The teacher was on leave from the school district for	100
fifty per cent or more of the school year, as calculated by the	101

Revised Code;

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(ii) The teacher has submitted notice of retirement and	103
that notice has been accepted by the board not later than the	104
first day of December of the school year in which the evaluation	105
is otherwise scheduled to be conducted.	106
(e) Beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, the The	107
board may elect not to conduct an evaluation of a teacher who is	108
participating in the teacher residency program established under	109
section 3319.223 of the Revised Code for the year during which	110
that teacher takes, for the first time, at least half of the	111
performance-based assessment prescribed by the state board of	112
education for resident educators.	113
(3) In any year that a teacher is not formally evaluated	114
pursuant to division (C) of this section as a result of	115
receiving a rating of accomplished or skilled on the teacher's	116
most recent evaluation, an individual qualified to evaluate a	117
teacher under division (D) of this section shall conduct at	118
least one observation of the teacher and hold at least one	119
conference with the teacher. The conference shall include a	120
discussion of progress on the teacher's professional growth	121
plan.	122
(D) Each evaluation conducted pursuant to this section	123
shall be conducted by one or more of the following persons who	124
hold a credential established by the department of education for	125
being an evaluator:	126
(1) A person who is under contract with the board pursuant	127
to section 3319.01 or 3319.02 of the Revised Code and holds a	128
license designated for being a superintendent, assistant	129

superintendent, or principal issued under section 3319.22 of the

(2) A person who is under contract with the board pursuant	132
to section 3319.02 of the Revised Code and holds a license	133
designated for being a vocational director, administrative	134
specialist, or supervisor in any educational area issued under	135
section 3319.22 of the Revised Code;	136
(3) A person designated to conduct evaluations under an	137
agreement entered into by the board, including an agreement	138
providing for peer review entered into by the board and	139
representatives of teachers employed by the board;	140
(4) A person who is employed by an entity contracted by	141
the board to conduct evaluations and who holds a license	142
designated for being a superintendent, assistant superintendent,	143
principal, vocational director, administrative specialist, or	144
supervisor in any educational area issued under section 3319.22	145
of the Revised Code or is qualified to conduct evaluations.	146
(E) Notwithstanding division (A)(3) of section 3319.112 of	147
the Revised Code÷	148
(1) The , the board shall require at least three formal	149
observations of each teacher who is under consideration for	150
nonrenewal and with whom the board has entered into a limited	151
contract or an extended limited contract under section 3319.11	152
of the Revised Code.	153
(2) The board may elect, by adoption of a resolution, to	154
require only one formal observation of a teacher who received a-	155
rating of accomplished on the teacher's most recent evaluation-	156
conducted under this section, provided the teacher completes a	157
project that has been approved by the board to demonstrate the	158
teacher's continued growth and practice at the accomplished	159
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(F) The board shall include in its evaluation policy	161
procedures for using the evaluation results for retention and	162
promotion decisions and for removal of poorly performing	163
teachers. Seniority shall not be the basis for a decision to	164
retain a teacher, except when making a decision between teachers	165
who have comparable evaluations.	166
(G) For purposes of section 3333.0411 of the Revised Code,	167
the board annually shall report to the department of education	168
the number of teachers for whom an evaluation was conducted	169
under this section and the number of teachers assigned each	170
rating prescribed under division (B)(1) of section 3319.112 of	171
the Revised Code, aggregated by the teacher preparation programs	172
from which and the years in which the teachers graduated. The	173
department shall establish guidelines for reporting the	174
information required by this division. The guidelines shall not	175
permit or require that the name of, or any other personally	176
identifiable information about, any teacher be reported under	177
this division.	178
(H) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in	179
Chapter 4117. of the Revised Code, the requirements of this	180
section prevail over any conflicting provisions of a collective	181
bargaining agreement entered into on or after September 24, 2012	182
the effective date of this amendment.	183
Sec. 3319.112. (A) Not later than December 31, 2011, The	184
<u>department of education shall revise</u> the state board of	185
education shall develop a education's standards-based state	186
framework for the evaluation of teachers, based on the	187
recommendations of the educator standards board established	188
under section 3319.60 of the Revised Code, and shall submit a	189

summary of the revisions to the state board for review. Not

<u>later than May 1, 2019, the state board shall adopt the revised</u>	191
<u>framework</u> . The state board may update the framework periodically	192
by adoption of a resolution. The framework shall establish an	193
evaluation system that does the following:	194
(1) Provides for multiple evaluation factors. One factor	195
shall be student academic growth which shall account for fifty	196
per cent of each evaluation, except as otherwise prescribed by	197
the alternative framework under section 3319.114 of the Revised	198
Code. When applicable to the grade level or subject area taught	199
by a teacher, the value-added progress dimension established	200
under section 3302.021 of the Revised Code or an alternative	201
student academic progress measure if adopted under division (C)	202
(1) (e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code shall be used in	203
the student academic growth portion of an evaluation in	204
proportion to the part of a teacher's schedule of courses or	205
subjects for which the value added progress dimension is	206
applicable.	207
If a teacher's schedule is comprised only of courses or	208
subjects for which the value-added progress dimension is	209
applicable, one of the following applies:	210
(a) Beginning with March 22, 2013, until June 30, 2014,	211
the majority of the student academic growth factor of the	212
evaluation shall be based on the value-added progress dimension.	213
(b) On or after July 1, 2014, the entire student academic	214
growth factor of the evaluation shall be based on the value-	215
added progress dimension. In calculating student academic growth	216
for an evaluation, a student shall not be included if the	217
student has forty-five or more excused or unexcused absences	218
during the full academic year.;	219

(2) Is aligned with the standards for teachers adopted	220
under section 3319.61 of the Revised Code;	221
(3) Requires observation of the teacher being evaluated,	222
including at least two formal observations by the evaluator of	223
at least thirty minutes each and classroom walkthroughs walk-	224
throughs;	225
(4) Assigns a rating on each evaluation in accordance with	226
division (B) of this section or section 3319.114 of the Revised	227
Code, whichever is applicable;	228
(5) Requires each teacher to be provided with a written	229
report of the results of the teacher's evaluation;	230
(6) Identifies measures of student academic growth for	231
grade levels and subjects for which the value-added progress-	232
dimension prescribed by section 3302.021 of the Revised Code or	233
an alternative student academic progress measure if adopted	234
under division (C)(1)(e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code	235
does not apply;	236
(7) Implements a classroom-level, value-added program-	237
developed by a nonprofit organization described in division (B)	238
of section 3302.021 of the Revised Code or an alternative	239
student academic progress measure if adopted under division (C)	240
(1) (e) of section 3302.03 of the Revised Code;	241
(8) Uses at least two measures of high quality student	242
data to provide evidence of student learning attributable to the	243
teacher being evaluated. The department shall define "high	244
quality student data" for this purpose. When applicable to the	245
grade level or subject area taught by a teacher, high quality	246
student data shall include the value-added progress dimension	247
established under section 3302.021 of the Revised Code, but the	248

<u>teacher or evaluator shall use at least one other measure of</u>	249
high quality student data to demonstrate student learning. In	250
accordance with the guidance described in division (D)(3) of	251
this section, high quality student data may be used as evidence	252
in any component of the evaluation related to the following:	253
(a) Knowledge of the students to whom the teacher provides_	254
instruction;	255
(b) The teacher's use of differentiated instructional	256
practices based on the needs or abilities of individual	257
<pre>students;</pre>	258
(c) Assessment of student learning;	259
(d) The teacher's use of assessment data;	260
(e) Professional responsibility and growth.	261
(7) Prohibits the shared attribution of student	262
performance data among all teachers in a district, building,	263
grade, content area, or other group;	264
(8) Includes development of a professional growth plan or	265
improvement plan for the teacher that is based on the results of	266
the evaluation and is aligned to any school district or building	267
improvement plan required for the teacher's district or building	268
under the "Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965," as	269
amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015, Pub. L. No.	270
114-95, 20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.;	271
(9) Provides for professional development to accelerate	272
and continue teacher growth and provide support to poorly	273
performing teachers;	274
(9)— (10) Provides for the allocation of financial	275
resources to support professional development;	276

(11) Prohibits the use of student learning objectives.	277
(B) For purposes of the framework developed adopted under	278
this section, the state board also department shall do the	279
following:	280
(1) Develop <u>Revise</u>, as necessary, specific standards and	281
criteria that distinguish between the following levels of	282
performance for teachers and principals for the purpose of	283
assigning ratings on the evaluations conducted under sections	284
3311.80, 3311.84, 3319.02, and 3319.111 of the Revised Code:	285
(a) Accomplished;	286
(b) Skilled;	287
(c) Developing;	288
(d) Ineffective.	289
(2) For grade levels and subjects for which the	290
assessments prescribed under sections 3301.0710 and 3301.0712 of	291
the Revised Code and the value-added progress dimension-	292
prescribed by section 3302.021 of the Revised Code, or	293
alternative student academic progress measure, do not apply,	294
develop Develop a list of student assessments that measure	295
mastery of the course content for the appropriate grade level,	296
which may include nationally normed standardized assessments,	297
industry certification examinations, or end-of-course	298
examinations. The data from these assessments may be considered	299
high-quality student data.	300
(C) The state board department shall consult with experts,	301
teachers and principals employed in public schools, the educator	302
standards board, and representatives of stakeholder groups in	303
developing revising the standards and criteria required by	304

division (B)(1) of this section.	305
(D) To assist school districts in developing evaluation	306
policies under sections 3311.80, 3311.84, 3319.02, and 3319.111	307
of the Revised Code, the department shall do both all of the	308
following:	309
(1) Serve as a clearinghouse of promising evaluation	310
procedures and evaluation models that districts may use;	311
(2) Provide technical assistance to districts in creating	312
evaluation policies;	313
(3) Provide guidance to districts on how high quality	314
student data may be used as evidence of student learning	315
attributable to a particular teacher, including examples of	316
appropriate use of that data within the framework adopted under_	317
this section;	318
(4) Provide guidance to districts on how information from	319
student surveys, student portfolios, peer review evaluations,	320
teacher self-evaluations, and other components determined	321
appropriate by the district may be used as part of the	322
evaluation process.	323
(E) Not later than June 30, 2013 July 1, 2019, the state	324
board department, in consultation with other state agencies that	325
employ teachers, shall develop a update its standards-based	326
framework for the evaluation of teachers employed by those	327
agencies. Each state agency that employs teachers shall adopt a	328
standards-based teacher evaluation policy that conforms to	329
conform with the framework-developed under this division. The	330
policy shall become operative at the expiration of any	331
collective bargaining agreement covering teachers employed by	332
the agency that is in effect on September 24, 2012 the effective	333

date of this amendment, and shall be included in any renewal or	334
extension of such an agreement. However, this division does not	335
apply to any person who is employed as a substitute teacher or	336
as an instructor of adult education.	337
Section 2. That existing sections 3319.075, 3319.111, and	338
3319.112 and sections 3319.114 and 3319.58 of the Revised Code	339
are hereby repealed.	340
Section 3. (A) For the 2018-2019 school year, the	341
Department of Education shall establish a pilot program to guide	342
implementation of the framework for the evaluation of teachers	343
revised under section 3319.112 of the Revised Code, as amended	344
by this act. The Department shall issue a request for school	345
districts to volunteer to participate in the pilot program.	346
However, the Department may designate districts to participate	347
as necessary to ensure a participant pool of adequate size and	348
diversity.	349
(B) The Department shall provide professional development	350
and technical assistance to teachers and evaluators in	351
participating school districts prior to their use of the revised	352
teacher evaluation framework. The Department shall collect	353
feedback from participating districts, teachers, and evaluators	354
on the implementation of the framework, and shall use such	355
feedback to make adjustments to the framework and to improve	356
professional development on the framework.	357
(C) The Department shall work with stakeholder groups in	358
conducting the pilot program.	359
Section 4. Notwithstanding the amendment or repeal of	360
sections 3319.111, 3319.112, and 3319.114 of the Revised Code by	361
this act, for the 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 school years, the	362

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following shall apply:	363
(A) Each school district, other than a district	364
participating in the pilot program established under Section 3	365
of this act, shall conduct teacher evaluations in accordance	366
with those sections as they existed prior to the effective date	367
of this section.	368
(B) Each state agency that employs teachers shall conduct	369
teacher evaluations in accordance with its teacher evaluation	370
policy developed under former division (E) of section 3319.112	371
of the Revised Code, as it existed prior to the effective date	372
of this section.	373
(C) Any reference in law to evaluations conducted under	374
section 3319.111 of the Revised Code shall be construed to	375
include evaluations conducted as required by this section.	376
(D) References to "evaluation procedures" in section	377
3319.11 of the Revised Code shall be construed to include the	378
evaluation procedures required by this section.	379

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